IRONTON. : : : MISSOURL The estate of the sate Bret Hart, on which letters of administration

were granted in London, on the 2d. is

walued at \$1,800. Mrs. William A. Clark, Jr., daughter-in-law of Senator Clark, of Montans, died at her home in Butte, Mont., on the 1st, aged 23 years.

The wedding of Miss Marion Cockrell, daughter of Senator Cockrell, of Missouri, to Mr. E. F. Gallaudet, of Washington, is set for February 14.

The body of Mrs. Jessie Benton Fremont, in accordance with her wishes, will be cremated, and ashes buried by the side of her husband

The Demler tin plate plant, at Mc-Keesport, Pa., which has been idle for several months, resumed operations on the 29th, giving employment to 500 men.

Berlin papers say Prince Henry of Prussia will come to the United States in 1904 to visit the St. Louis exposition and unveil a monument in

Grief over the loss of a daughter, who died on Christmas day, caused the death of Mrs. Margaret E. Robinson, aged 80 years, at Paducah, Ky., on the 30th.

Rev. J. B. McMichael, for 20 years president of Monmouth college, Monmouth, Ill., fell dead in his pulpit in a Presbyterian church near Xenia, O. on December 31.

Col. John J. Dickey, a native on Rushville, Ill., and one of the oldest officials in the service of the Western Union Telegraph Co., died at Omaha Neb., on the 29th.

A little housedog aroused the famlly of Charles Gardner, at Wellsville. Mo., early on the morning of the 29th, just in time for them to escape from their burning home.

The remains of Mrs. Mary E. Dockery, wife of Missouri's governor, were buried in the cemetery at Chillicothe, Mo., on the 2d, close beside those of seven of her children.

President Jacob G. Schurman lef. Ithaca, N. Y., on the 29th, for a toul of the west, and will lecture on political and educational topics in sevi eral of the larger cities.

In a political discussion in a drinking cafe in Santiago, Cuba, on the 1st, Senor Corona, editor of Cubana Libre, shot and instantly killed Senor Insula editor of the Republica.

Frank E. Gilcress, serving a 50-year term in the Chester (Ill.) prison, and his sentence commuted by Acting Gov. Northcott to expire New Year's

The Pacine cable was completed to Honolulu on the 1st, and Gov. Dole cent a mersage to President Roosevelt announcing the opening and extending greetings from the people of Ha-

Secretary Iddings, of the United from his carriage, on the 1st, by a Eighty-first coast artillery, who are ceived injuries from which he will be several weeks in recovering.

The bursting of a stereopticon gas tank at a Christmas entertainment in a French church in Chicago, on the night of the 29th, resulted in a wild panie among those present and injury to a number of persons.

The Venezuelan revolutionists resumed active hostilities against President Castro, on the 27th, the armistice having expired, and a battle was fought, at the close of which the in curgents maintained their position.

Miss Mary Barber, niece of Mrs. McKinley, and Maj. Ralph Hartsell, an attorney of Denver, Col., were married at Canton, O., on the 30th. Mrs. McKinley attended the wedding, and gave the bride a silver table service.

Clara Ware, a deaf-mute, who was never known to have uttered a word from her birth, died in Madison county. Mississippi, on the 2d, and a few hours before her death called on members of the family to come to

Senator G. G. Vest, of Missouri, in a published signed statement, insists that he is not a candidate for reelection by the Missouri legislature, and that any mention of his name is without his consent and over his pro-

A letter from George C. Reed, American missionary at Fez, Morocco, to George S. Fisher, of Kansas City, Mo. dated December 4, expresses the belief that the Christian missionaries will be killed if taken by the fanatical

The roof of an abandoned coal mine under the city of Olyphant, Pa., gave way, on the 2d, and engulfed a hotel and three other buildings covering a ground space of 6,000 square feet, but the alarm had been given in time to allow everybody to escape.

During the naval maneuvers in Philippine waters, on the 2d, Ensign Babcock and part of his boat's crew were upset from their boat, but swam a mile through shark-infested waters and successfully accomplished their object of placing countermine buoys

near Subig bay. The Springfield (Ill.) Evening News which had just changed owners, was burned out on the 1st. The employes were penned in by the flames in an upper story, but were rescued by the prompt efforts of the fire department. The loss is covered by insur-

A valuable collection of relies of the tour of President and Mrs. Grant around the world were placed for the first time on public exhibition in the mational museum at Washington on the 1st. Their transfer to the govrnment was provided for in the will of Mrs. Grant

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A Summary of Important Events.

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PERSONAL AND GENERAL

Mrs. Mary E. Dockery, wife of the governor of Missouri, died at the executive mansion, Jefferson City, early on the morning of the 1st, of heart failure, with which she had been ill for several weeks. She was born in

Chillicothe, Mo., in 1848. King Edward of England was officially proclaimed emperor of India at the durbar at Delhi, on the 1st.

Fire in the basement of the capitol building at Jefferson City, Mo., on the 1st, burned some records of the land department, but otherwise did little damage.

A message came over the new Pacific cable, on the evening of the 1st, from Honolulu saying that the cable was spliced to the shore end at three o'clock on that day. The message gave no explanation of the six days delay in the completion of the connection.

There is no longer the slightest doubt that the disease now afflicting Mazatlan, Mexico, is genuine Asiatic plague, for microscopic investigation proves that bubonic pest bacilli are in the blood of those afflicted with the

prevailing disease. Thomas A. Edison promises to have his new storage battery on the market this month, and declares it will solve the traction problem and that its introduction will mean that the horse will have to go.

President Castro's reply to the powers, through Minister Bowen, is substantially an unqualified acceptance of their proposals to arbitrate, and the accompanying conditions. A further interchange of views, preparatory to signing the protocol, will take place in Washington.

President Palma of Cuba celebrated his first New Year's as chief executive with a public reception at the palace in Havana, and a diplomatic dinner at night. There were many Americans among those who paid their respects.

Miss Mollie Atchison, the largest woman in southern Illinois, died at Ina, a small station 13 miles from suffering from consumption, has had Benton, on the 1st. She was 26 years old and weighed 520 pounds.

It is said that the sultan of Moroc co has summoned the shereefs and notables to Fez and made a bid for their loyalty, offering to abjure his European predilections, to break his relations with Christians and to main tain Islamism.

Miss Helen Miller Gould received as a New Year's gift a handsome loving cup, which was presented to her States embassy at Rome, was thrown by about 300 enlisted men of the stationed at Fort Slocum.

In a drunken brawl at Santiago, Cuba, on the 2d, between seven Italians, two of them were killed instantly, two died in the hospital, one was fatally and one seriously wounded The seventh man was unhurt.

Grief over the death of her husband, who fell from a wagon and broke his neck, impelled Mrs. Elizabeth Gleich, of St. Louis, to drown herself in a cistern, on the 3d.

A wild engine crashed into a fiver on the night of the 2d, at Shelburne, Vt., killing both engineers and fire

men and fatally injuring a brakeman. The American Association for the Advancement of Science will hold its next meeting in St. Louis, from December 28, 1903, to January 2, 1904. The village of Woodruff, in McLean

county, Ill., was destroyed by fire, on the 2d. Deputy Marshal Sorrels was shot and instantly killed and two other deputies wounded by an unknown man whom they attempted to arrest

at Coal Creek, I. T., on the 2d. I. O. Williams, alleged to have erased and forged money orders in Ohio, Indiana, Illinois and Kansas, was arrested by post office inspectors at Lima, O., on the 2d.

state, was struck in Licking county, O., on the 2d. It has a daily capacity of 14,000,000 cubic feet. The headquarters of the Carpenters

A new gas well, the largest in the

and Joiners' union were removed from Philadelphia to Indianapolis, Ind., on the 2d.

J. N. Castle, a former congressman was found dead of heart disease at his home in Stillwater, Minn., on the

Officials of the Pacific Cable Co. say hey will have the cable completed to Manila by the Fourt, of July.

Howard Gould and party, on the steam yacht Niagara, passed Gibraltar, on the 2d.

The cabinet, on the 2d, decided to permanently close the post office at Indianola, Miss., from which the postmistress, Minnie M. Cox. a neress, recently resigned under compulsion, since which it has remained

The Pressed Steel Car Co., of New York, proposes to carry for each of its employes who have been six months or more in its employ from one to twenty-five shares of the preferred stock, now paying seven per cent. dividends.

It is officially announced that the French government has abandoned the idea of reproducing the Petit Trianon as the national pavilion at the Louisiana Purchase exposition in St. Louis, and will, instead, reproduce the Grand Trianon, erected by Louis

Capt. George Terrell of the Red D line steamer Zulia has been suspended for having violated the neutrality laws in giving information to a German blockading ship that led to the capture of the Venezuelan gunboat Miranda on December 20 last.

Col. Green, the new police commismer of New York city, has ordered the special duty men into uniform d their transfer to new pricincts. e object of the order is the breakup of the system of blackmail al-

ed to exist. dministration officials at Washinghave been forced by the discon at of European powers at China's fusal to pay the second installment the Boxer indemnity in gold, to rerd the Chinese question as one of e most menacing now obscuring the rizon of world politics.

'It seems to be beyond question," cables the Johannesburg correspond-ent of the London Daily Mail, "that large and enormously rich diamond fields exist north of Pretoria."

NEWS AND NOTES. The grand total of the twentieth century Methodist thank offering, exclusive of the collections taken in thousands of Methodist churches on Sunday, December 28, and at the watchnight services New Year's eve, is \$20,634,960. In recognition of President Roose-

celt's attitude in favor of The Hague tribunal a movement has been started in Europe to present him with a magnificent work of art symbolizing the service he has rendered to the cause of arbitration. The Pacific cable to Honolulu was

opened for business on the 5th. The commercial rate is fixed at 50 cents a word and the press rate 20 cents. Consul Goding, at Newcastle, N. S. W., says that, to meet the harvest deficiencies in Australia, due to the prolonged drought, 100,000 tons of

### LATE NEWS ITEMS.

breadstuffs will be required.

White river overflowed its banks at O'Brien station, near Seattle, Wash., early on the morning of the 4th, and the people of the town were awakened by water creeping into their beds, but all were taken out in safety.

C. W. Wood, a railroad engineer, had his foot pinioned under a wreck at St. Paul, Minn., on the 4th, and was being scalded by steam, when he took a knife from his pocket and amputated his foot below the ankle.

A St. Louis watchman, on the night of the 4th, discovered a burglar inside a restaurant stealing pennies out of the Fresh Air Mission contribution box, and after a sharp struggle landed him in the lock-up.

The governors and ex-governors of many western states will be present at the grand ball to be given during the convention of the National Live Stock association, at Kansas City, Mo., January 14.

"Topsy," an elephant who had killed three men and had recently become unmanageable, was electro-cuted at Coney Island, New York, on the 4th, 6,600 volts killing her in ten seconds.

The 11-year-old son of Motorman S. J. Bland was run over and killed by the car his father had just alighted from, in Nevada, Mo., on the 4th. His mother also witnessed the accident. St. Louis master plumbers, at a

meeting, on the 5th, agreed to pay the increased scale of wages de manded by the union, and the men returned to work on the 6th. Forty Americans, among them Mrs.

L. Z. Leiter, of Chicago, mother of Lady Curzon, attended a brilliant function following the durbar, at Delhi, India, on the 4th. Charles J. Bell, professor of chem-

died at Somerville, Mass., on the 4th where he had been spending the holidays with his brother. Cold water forced down his throat

had the effect of awakening John Fulcher, a negro prisoner, at Kansas City, Mo., on the 4th, who had been asleep for 159 hours.

Dr. Julius Kohl died at his home in Belleville, Ill., on the 4th, aged 6 years. He was one of the oldest prac-

titioners in St. Clair county. A stable boy and 23 horses were

burned to death in a fire at Dallas,

Tex., on the 4th. In the senate, on the 5th, a discustion on the coal situation occupied the time until two o'clock. A num ber of bills on the subject were introduced, causing a lively debate. The omnibus statehood bill was taken up, Mr. Nelson (Minn.) speaking in opposition to it until four o'clock, when the senate adjourned .... In the house the bill to create a general staff in the army was taken up, and an attempt was made to pass it under a suspension of the rules, but as a roll call showed less than a quorum pres-

ent, the house adourned. Capt. Marmaduke and the American officers and crew of the Colombian gunboat Bogota resigned at Panama, on the 5th, and their services being no longer needed, the resignations were accepted. They will receive four months' pay and transportation to

the United States. Isaac Studebaker, who raised a dis turbance in a Dunkard church in the Deer Creek (Ind.) neighborhood, on the 4th, was set upon by the pastor's son, and after a hard fight in front Dockery, was laid to rest beside her of the altar the offending youth was knocked out and taken senseless to

his home. President Roosevelt, on the 5th, directed the appointment of Capt. Louis B. Lawton, Twenty-sixth infantry, who was permanently injured by wound at Tien-Tsin, to be major in \$15,000 breach of promise suit filed the judge advocate general's depart-

ment. The United States supreme court, on the 5th, affirmed the validity of an ordinance of the borough of New Hope, Pa., requiring telegraph companies to pay a license fee for poles and wires in the town.

Col. Henry C. Forbes, librarian of the Illinois state laboratory of natural history, died at his home in Urbana, on the 5th. He commanded the Seventh Illinois cavalry in the civil A posse of citizens at Boeuf River, La., on the 5th, ordered a colored

mail carrier named Jackson not to re-

turn with the mail on his route. threatening him with death in case he Senator Clarke went on a special train from New York to Butte, Mont. to be present at the funeral of his

daughter-in-law, on the 5th. The "million dollar baby" is doing well. Bishop Gulstan F. Ropert, head of the Catholic church in Hawaii, died at |24,900,000 in January dividends Honolulu, on the 5th.

MISSOURI STATE NEWS.

Missouri Crops. The United States department of griculture, climate and crop bulletin of the weather bureau, Missouri section, for the month of December, 1902, says:

wection, for the month of December, 1902, says:

"December was a disagreeable month throughout the state, the weather being renerally cloudy, with frequent rains and nows and considerable siect. No severe freezing weather occurred up to the 25th, but on the 35th and 25th a cold wave overspread the state, and the temperature fell o zero, or below, in most sections. The total precipitation of the month exceeds 4 inches over nearly all of the southwastern and a number of the southwastern counties, and over the extreme southwastern counties it even exceeded 6 inches, but over most of the central and forthern counties it ranged from 1 to 2½ nches. Up to the 24th wheat suffered litele or no injury from unfavorable weather conditions, but during the sever freezing weather from the 25th to the 25th the ground was bare, and in some counties its feared the crop has been damaged. Many correspondents, however, report the crop in excellent condition, and it is believed that, in most sections, it has been damaged but little as yet. In some of the southern counties the early sown wheat has been considerably injured by ust and fly. Except during the last few lays of the month, when the ground was frozen, the weather was very unfavorable for corn gathering, and a considerable portion of the crop still remains in the fields, especially in the central and northern sections. In a few of the southern counties fruit trees have been broken down to some extent by ice. In most sections fall pastures, where not over stocked, afforded good grazing during the reater part of the month.

"A. E. HACKETT."

"Section Director."

Reports on Taxes and Fees. Secretary of State Sam B. Cook re ports having received and paid into the state treasury taxes and fees for the month of December, 1902, as fol-

lows:

received and paid into the state treasury \$395,478.06 during the biennial period enting December 31, 1902, as

Notarial commissions...\$ 7,865 00 \$ 8,625 00 tax | Domestic corporation | 146,255 00 | 171,215 00 | Foreign corporation | 162,255 00 | 171,215 00 | Foreign corporation | 163,255 00 | 171,215 00 | 163,455 00 | 163,455 00 | 163,455 00 | 163,455 00 | 163,455 00 | 163,455 00 | 163,455 00 | 163,455 00 | 163,455 00 | 163,455 00 | 163,455 00 | 163,455 00 | 163,455 00 | 163,455 00 | 163,455 00 | 163,455 00 | 163,455 00 | 163,455 00 | 171,215 00 | 163,455 00 | 171,215 00 | 163,455 00 | 171,215 00 | 163,455 00 | 171,215 00 | 163,455 00 | 171,215 00 | 163,455 00 | 171,215 00 | 163,455 00 | 171,215 00 | 163,455 00 | 171,215 00 | 163,455 00 | 171,215 00 | 163,455 00 | 171,215 00 | 163,455 00 | 171,215 00 | 163,455 00 | 171,215 00 | 163,455 00 | 171,215 00 | 163,455 00 | 171,215 00 | 163,455 00 | 171,215 00 | 163,455 00 | 171,215 00 | 163,455 00 | 171,215 00 | 163,455 00 | 171,215 00 | 163,455 00 | 171,215 00 | 163,455 00 | 171,215 00 | 163,455 00 | 171,215 00 | 163,455 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 171,215 00 | 1 tracts ..... 594 20 Bank inspection fees.. 13,135 85 Total .... \$180,773 90 \$214,704 14

Condition of State Treasury. State Treasurer R. P. Williams has filed his report with Gov. Dockery, showing the condition of the state treasury for the year just closed, the quarter and the month of De-

Report for month of December, 1902. Balance, November 29, 1902. \$1,671,912.96; recipits, including transfers, for December, 5,61,223.91; balance December 31, 1902. \$1,985,402.71. ance December 31, 1902, \$1,593,462.71.
Fourth quarterly report: Balance September 30, 1902, \$1,592,47.35; receipts for fourth quarter 1902, including transfers, \$1,597,181.76; disbursements fourth quarter 1902, including transfers, \$1,191,476.40; balance December 31, 1902, \$1,992, \$1,993,402.71.
Annual report 1902: Balance December 31, 1901,81,245,130.97; receipts for 1902, including transfers, \$7,601,099,32; disbursements for 1902, including transfers, \$6,485,787,58; balance December 31, 1902, \$1,990,92.71.

Bullet Restored His Reason. The insane man who was shot in the Howell county jail by a guard whom he attacked several days ago has been identified as Raymond M. Davis. For five years he has wandered over the country. After being shot his reason was restored, and he gave his family history. His father, Sandford Davis, was notified, and he left his home in Unionville, Ia., immediateistry in the University of Wisconsin, ly, and an affectionate reunion folson for dead long ago.

## She Was Homesick

Mrs. Luther H. Gilliam, wife of prominent young farmer living two miles north of Slater, committed suiheart with a shotgun. She left a note stating that she was homesick.

## Jurors Couldn't Agree

The jury in the W. H. Wright mur, der case, on trial in the circuit court at Butler, was discharged, having failed to agree after being out 13 hours. Nine stood for conviction and three for acquittal.

Should Have Used Warm Water. Rudolph Becker, aged 17, tried micide in the river at St. Louis, but the cold water unnerved him and he clung to a cake of ice for three hours, when he was rescued by a po

## Wanted in Iowa.

John Washington and Edward Ross wanted in Burlington, Ia., on several charges, the principal one being high way robbery, were apprehended in Hannibal and taken back to Burling

Workman Killed by Falling Stone Charles Manderson, a workman on building in course of erection in St. Louis, was killed by being struck on the head by a large stone which

tell from the sixth story. Interment at Chillicothe Mrs. A. M. Dockery, wife of Gov.

Chillicothe. All the state officers atended the funeral. Sued for Breach of Promise. Joseph Harper, owner of a distillery near Sarcoxie, is defendant in a

even children in the family plot at

by Mrs. Emma Davis, of Carthage. Found Bag of Jewels. Two St. Louis patrolmen found a small bag on the street containing jewels valued at \$1,000. They were

soon after claimed by the owner. Governor Offers a Reward. Gov. Dockery has offered a reward of \$300 each for the arrest and conriction of the persons who burglarzed the bank at Union.

Accidental Wound Proves Fatal.

Ferdinand Jaeger, aged 18, died at

his home near New Haven, the result of a gunshot wound received accilentally while hunting. A Faithful Dog. A little house dog aroused the famity of Charles Gardner, at Wellsville,

just in time for them to escape from heir burning home. A Record Breaker. A record-breaking item in St. Louis this month will be the payment of

# WORLD'S FAIR PROGRESS.

The End of the Present Year Will See All of the Buildings Ready for Exhibits

## THE LAGOON WORK NEARLY FINISHED.

oreign Governments Shawing In creased Activity in Arranging for Displays, and Several are Disposed to Enlarge Upon Original Plans, Notably France.

St. Louis, Jan. 4.-The Globe-Demerat, commenting editorially on the progress manifest in the preparation for the Louisiana Purchase centenaial exposition, says:

"It is stated on official authority

that the physical features of the World's fair wil be completed by the end of the present year, and be ready then for the exhibits, with four months for interior prepartion. Contracts have been let for nine main structures, which include the builddustries, machinery, electricity, education, social economy, manufactures, liberal arts, mines and metalfor the architectural terrace for the over 21, and the amount collected gardens and Cascade hill. The lagoon work is nearly finished. Drawings for the agricultural and the horticultural building are ready. Several of the principal buildings are nearly completed, and all must be done by December 1 next, or the contractors forfeit \$500 a day. Foreign governments are active in arranging for their displays. They are disposed to enlarge the original plans, France just having sent word that it will reproduce the Grand Trianon instead

of the Petit Trianon. "The commissions in charge of the state exhibits are moving vigorously. Director of Works Taylor says that from designs submitted, it is apparent that the structures to be put up by the states will surpass anything heretofore undertaken by individual states,' and he is sure that all can be erected in one season. He estimates line. The many governors inauguratwith their administration, and will if their states are unrepresented at a national celebration and the largest and most splendid of international expositions. They will not do their states or themselves justice if they fail to join the big procession that will be historical."

## WORLD'S FAIR FINANCES.

Gratifying Showing Made by the Treasurer of the Louisiana Purchase Exposition Co.

St. Louis, Jan. 5.-According to statement prepared by the treasurer 25,071 shares of stock in the Louisiana urchase Exposition Co. had been paid in full up to the close of the offices December 31, 1902. These are record-breaking figures in exposition finances. The last payment of stock is not actually due until September, 1903, but 2,068 subscribers aide by shooting herself through the stock have paid in full. Certificates are still being issued for full paid stock as rapidly as the clerks in the treasurer's office can get them out. The payment on the capital stock during the month of December just

closed aggregates \$131,542. The shares are issued in five series -A. B. C. D and E. A certificates are for single shares; the B series. two shares: the C series, five shares: the D series, ten shares, and the E series, over ten shares. The A leads in the number of certificates issued. being nearly five hundred. The E series comes next with nearly four

#### hundred certificates out. SOUVENIR GOLD DOLLARS.

Jewelers Devising Carriers for the Louisiana Purchase Centennial Gold Dollars.

St. Louis, Jan. 5.-The jewelers in various parts of the country have devised means for using the Louisiana Purchase souvenir gold dollar for an ornament without injuring its legal tender value. A number of St. Louis jewelers lead the way in this. The coin is placed between two glass lenses sufficiently concave on the side next the coin to allow space for the coin and sufficiently convex on the other side to magnify the coin a trifle. The two lenses are held together by a loop of gold carrying a staple by which it may be attached to watch guards, watch chains, brace lets, etc.

A Brilliant Function.

Delhi, India, Jan. 5.—The Chapter of Indian Orders held Saturday night was one of the most brilliant fune tions following the durbar. It was attended by Lord Curzon of Kedleston viceroy of India, and Lady Curzon; the duke of Connaught, representative of King Edward, and the duchess of Connaught, and scores of native princes. Among the brilliant assem blage were nearly three hundred members of the order of the Satar of India and many maharajahs. About forty Americans were present at the chapter.

Chinese Minister to Wed. Pekin, Jan. 5.-Sir Liang Cheng minister designated to the United States, will marry the daughter of the Chinese minister at Paris, Yu Keng before leaving for Washington. The wedding probably will take place at

Disturbances Spreading.

Canton.

Shanghai, Jan. 5.-The disturbance In the interior of China are spreading Five thousand troops have been sent to suppress the disorders in the province of Che Kinng.

INDEPENDENT OPERATORS.

swer of the Independent Anthracite Operators to the Miners' Demands Made Public.

Philadelpnia, Jan. 5.-The answer of the independent coal operators to the demands of the miners was made public here Sunday. The answer will be submitted to the anthracite strike commission. It was written by John Markle, managing partner of the firm. The statement is in part as follows:

"The present firm was formed on December 30, 1889, for the purpose of mining coal upon lands that had been under lease from the Union Improvement Co, for 30 years from January 1890, and from the Highland Coal Co. for 30 years from January 1, 1892. Jeddo. The firm employes about two thousand four hundred men, and many of its employes reside in the villages of Freeland, about two miles distant, and Hazleton, about seven

miles distant from Jeddo.

How Physicians Were Paid. "From the time of my first connection with the business, in 1880, there have always been a resident physician and assistant physician upon the property, until recently, with the excepings to be devoted to art, varied in- tion of a short interval. The firm selected the head physician, who chose his assistants, and we collected 75 cents a month from married men and lurgy. Contracts have also been made 50 cents a month for the single men state exhibits, and for the hanging was paid over to the physician without charge or deduction therefrom. This arrangement was not compul-

sory upon the men or families. "In the early part of 1898 my wife employed, at her own expense, a trained nurse to look after the sick, and later, when this nurse retired, another nurse from St. Luke's hospital in Bethlehem took her place, who introduced the system of district nursing in the borough of Jeddo and in the neighboring villages.

The Company Stores.

"Stores for the sale of general merchandise and of miners' supplies have always been maintained upon the property, and have been and are an accommodation to the men and their families. The men have never been required to deal there."

Continuing, the answer says a ing scale basis of labor had been agreed upon in 1875 and had from that the physical features of the fair | that time been generally in force in are from 25 to 30 per cent, finished, the Lehigh region. In September, Word comes from Oregon that the 1897, a committee of miners presentstate will spend \$50,000 on its exhibit. ed certain demands to the firm. An The Pennsylvania legislature will agreement was then in existence bemake a large appropriation without tween the company and men to settle delay. States that they had not de- differences by arbitration. The comcided to participate are swinging into pany replied to the demands and received no further communication ed this month cover the fair period | from the miners. Work at the mines continued uninterrupted until the latpave to do a great deal of explaining ter part of 1900, when John Mitchell made his headquarters at Hazleton and endeavored to organize the Mar-

> kle employes.
> Miners Broke Agreement. In September, 1900, another list of

grievances was furnished the firm. the company's answer being that if the men were not satisfied with the pay the officials would be willing to arbitrate. The next communication from the men demanded arbitration. but the committee selected by the employes reported that the latter had broken their agreement with the company by striking before their grievances had been submitted to arbitra-

tion. Finally, on October 27, mittee of the men appealed to the firm for an adjustment of the differences. This was accomplished, and on October 29 work was resumed.

The Strike Commission. Referring to the appointment of the commission, Mr. Markle says: "As we had not been parties to the correspondence under which the anthracite strike commission was appointed and the strike declared off, we were not willing to permit our men to return to work without a distinct understanding that they would abide by the award to be made by the commission. Notice was accordingly posted that those wisbing to secure employment should call at the office and should bring with them the brass checks which they had. When this notice was posted, we were informed that some of them objected upon the ground that the men should be taken back in a body, and the rumor was started to the effect that they would be required to sign an ironclad agree-

ment as a condition of going to work. "Meanwhile I had been informed that the same men who had been making trouble during the strike were taking a leading part in intimidating and threatening anyone com ing to the office and returning to work under the conditions specified On the morning of Monday, October 27, 1902, I ordered notices to give up possession of houses to be served up on 12 men who had been active in preventing the men from resuming work. No attempt was made to collect the arrears of rent which had accrued during the strike, and the notice to quit having been served October 27, judgment in ejectment was entered November 5, and the parties wicted on November 6, 1902."

BANK ROBBERS STILL BUSY. The First National Bank of Abingdon, III., Suffers by Robbers to the Extent of \$4,800.

Galesburg, Ill., Jan. 4.-Five men entered the First national bank of Abingdon, early Saturday morning, bound and gagged the night watch man, and leisurely blew open the vault, securing \$4,800. Thirteen charges of dynamite were exploded before the cash was reached. robbers are believed to have left the ity in two buggies.

Qunicy, Ill., Jan. 4.- 1 wo of the five nen who dynamited the First nation al bank at Abingdon and stole about \$4,800 were arrested here on the arrival of the fast mail on the Burlington from Galesburg. Both men carried enormous pistols and tried to draw them on the officers who made the arrest, but were overpowered and disarmed. Officers were on the lookont for the men and spotted them in-

Two Bank Robbers Arested.

DEATH OF MRS. DOCKERY.

The Wite of the Governor of Missour Passes Away With the Opening

of the New Year. Jefferson "ty, Mo., Jan. 2 .-- Mrs. Elizabeth Dockery, wife of the governor, ded Thursday morning at 5:45 o'clock. Her two sisters, Mrs. Mary B. Linsom, of Bowling Green, and Mrs. Carrie M. Orr, of Kansas City, the only survivors of her immediate family,

were at the bedside. Mrs. Dockery's maiden name was Mary Elizabeth Bird. She was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Greenup Bird, her father being for many years a prominent banker at Chillicothe, where she was born, March 15, 1848. She was educated at Clay seminary in The mines are situated at or near Liberty, to which place her parents moved to give her the advantages of schooling. April 14, 1869, she was married at Chillicothe to Alexander Monroe Dockery, who was then a practicing physician in that place.

Five years later they went to Gallatin, where they made their permanent residence and where Mr. Dockery practiced his profession of medicine until he was elected to congress. Eight children were born to them, all of whom died at tender age.

time with her husband at the nat. anal capital until the champaign of 1800, when he was elected governor of Misouri. Since his inauguration in January, 1901, she had been mistress of the ex-

Mrs. Dockery spent most a the

ecutive mansion at the capital of Missouri. Mrs. Dockery was a lineal descendant of Commodore Perry, who wrote the message to Gen. Harrison after

the battle of Lake Erie, "We have met the enemy and they are ours." In appearance Mrs. Dockery was above the average height; she was a decided brunette and had sparkling black eyes. Her manner was cordial, her light handshake of the kind that gave confidence to the diffident and

pleasure to the stranger. Her wide experience at the national capital enabled her to know men and women of all states and nations, but her loyalty to Missouri and Missourians enabled her to retain for the first place her friends from her native state.

As mistress of the executive mansion, her heart was full of just pride in her husband's achievements as a statesman. Her pleasures were essentially in her home, and yet her interest in the affairs of the country were never overlooked. Mrs. Dockery was reared a Pros-

byterian, but became identified with the Methodist church after her marriage. She and Gov. Dockery were members of that church many years. Mrs. Dockery took great pleasure in her duties at the mansion, and always made it a homelike place. Funeral services were held at the

mansion Thursday night, conducted by Rev. Dr. C. E. Patillo, pastor of the Methodist church, of which Mrs. Dockery was a member, assisted by the pastors of the other churches. The sermon was an impressive one, and paid a deserving tribute to a woman, whose virtues of head and heart were not bardened by place. Friday morning the remains were taken to Chillicothe in a special coach

attached to the fast mail train. In the party accompanying the remains were State Auditor Albert O. Allen and wife. State Superintendent of Public Schools W. T. Carrington and wife, State Treasurer Robert P. Williams, Adjt.-Gen. W. T. Dameron, Assistant Attorney Gen. Sam B. Jef-fries and wife, Miss Fox, daughter of Supreme Court Judge J. D. Fox; Senator Emmet Field, Representative A. B. Duncan, Representative A. A. Speer, Supreme Court Judge Waltour M. Robinson, Mr. W. A. Morrow and wife, Supreme Court Clerk John R. Green and wife, Rev. Dr. C. E. Patillo, and many others of the official family here, beside those who came from St. Louis, and still others who joined the party at Kansas City. where the Burlington was taken for Chillicothe.

### VEST IS NOT A CANDIDATE. The Missouri Senator Does Not Want His Name Mentioned in Connec-

tion with Senatorship Contest. Washington, Jan. 2 .- Senator G. G. Vest, of Missouri, has issued a signed statement declaring that he is not a candidate for re-election and never sought to be returned to the United

States senate. His closing words are as follows: "I am profoundly grateful to the democrats of Missouri who have honored me so much in the past, and especially to the friends who still insis that I should remain in public life, but I shall become a private citizen after the 4th of March next, and any connection of my name hereafter with political preferment is not only without my consent but against my em-

phatic protest."

Grain Elevator Burned. Fort Dodge, Ia., Jan. 2.—The grain elevator of the Great Western Cereal Co., with a capacity of 175,000 bushels. burned early Thursday, causing a loss of \$100,000, fully covered by insurance. The elevator contained 100,-000 bushels of oats and a large amount of valuable machinery, all of

which is a total loss. Cripple Creek Gold Output. Cripple Creek, Col., Jan. 2 .- The Times estimates the gold production

of this district, six miles source, in

CONCERNING TUBERCULOSIS.

1902 at \$24,508 211.

Dr. S. A. Knopf, of New York, one of the leading American authorities on tuberculosis, makes the somewhat startling announcement that he considers certain conditions in the business offices and homes of the wealthy as being quite as bad as those found in tenements. Dr. Knopf's essay on "Tuberculosis as a Disease of Masses" was awarded first prize at the stantly on the arrival of the train. international medical congress in Ber-Each man had a grip filled with loose lin, and has been translated into many